

At the close of the war when our county government was having such a hard time to exist they had to take all sorts of ways of saving money and one way they did this was to send back to their native county anyone that got within our borders and became dependant or had to have assistance from the county, these charges usually were sent to what is our sister or mother state old Virginia as she was our nearest populated area. This was all brought about by our Overseers of the poor with the assistance of our county officials namely our board of supervisors.

At this time the question was talked of and voted on of forming a new state and in 1871 the vote stood for ratification ^{of the Constitution of 1870} 349 against 57 and in 1872 the vote was for ratification of the amendment 453 and against 285. The board of supervisors of 1871 were Benjamin A. Arbogast, Josiah T. Hogsett, Allen T. Moore and Richard Hill, with Moore serving from Lincoln Township, Hogsett from Grant, Hill of Union and Arbogast of Meade with Peter L. Curry as their clerk. The Supervisors of 1872 were P. D. Carter, William Hogsett and William H. Hull.

It was in the year of 1872 that road supervisors from each township and precinct were instructed by the Board of Supervisors to call out men to work on the various roads of the county they called this warning men out to work the roads this was done usually twice yearly in the spring and in

the fall, all able bodied men were given a call and had to report out on a certain road at a certain time to work under men chosen by the Board of Supervisors.

It was in 1872 that a dispute was raised by Greenbrier County about our county line so our Board Of Supervisors appointed a commission to meet a delegation appointed by Greenbrier County and they try to establish a true and permanent boundary between the two counties, and to that commission our board appointed the following men Allen Coalter, George Baxter, and S.B Loury Jr, these men met with the ones selected by Greenbrier and their findings and recomondations were filed in our Clerks office and a copy was sent to the Board Of Supervisors ^{of Greenbrier} to be filed in their county records so that this dispute would be settled for all times, but again in 1875 this line was again brought up before our county officials and another commission was appointed to meet with a delegation from Greenbrier County to try and establish our county line, they met and made their report back to their respective counties that they represented in hopes that this would make a permanent line between Pocahontas and Greenbrier counties.

Shortly after 1870 our county went through another change as we received entirely a new set of county officials as the county ceased to

be run by a board of Supervisors but went back to the County Court like it was first run by, this court composed of the following John Ligon ^Pres, Wm. Baxter, John G. Beard, O.H. McMorrow ~~and~~ Francis Dever and William Brown, these men all being Justices were classified to perform their duties in court for the years of 1873, 74, 75 and 76 two of these men presided over the court at which ever term of court they were designated to hold, these dates having ~~been~~ been worked out by the County Court.

Attorneys of this section admitted to practice at the bar of Pocahontas Court were the following John A. McNeel, George H. Moffett, Daniel A. Stoffer and John M. Lightner these men were kept busy most of the time as much legal matters were to be disposed of along about this time.

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